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SUBJ: PHILIPPINE NUCLEAR POWER DISCUSSIONS

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1. PHILIPPINE FINANCE SECRETARY IS URGENTLY SEEKING EXIM VIEWS REGARDING HIS ATTENDANCE PROPOSED NUCLEAR POWER PLANT DISCUSSIONS WITH CHAIRMAN CASEY AND EXIM STAFF MEMBERS NOW SCHEDULED FOR MAY 20. AS REPORTED IN REFTEL A, GOP IS CURRENTLY PLANNING TO HAVE RAMON RAVANZO, GENERAL MANAGER, NATIONAL POWER CORPORATION, HEAD PHILIPPINE DELEGATION. HOWEVER, PHILIPPINE SECRETARY OF FINANCE CESAR VIRATA HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT HE HAS TWICE CABLED CHAIRMAN CASEY TO INQUIRE WHETHER HIS PRESENCE AS HEAD OF GOP DELEGATION MIGHT FACILITATE DISCUSSIONS.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES SECRETARY WIRATA'S PRESENCE AT EXIM/GOP DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE VERY IMPORTANT IN VIEW (A) SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS FIRST FULL DRESS EXIM EVALUATION OF PROJECT AND (B) VALUE TO EXIM OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGH LEVEL REVIEW OF PHILIPPINE
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FINANCIAL PROSPECTS AND POLICIES. EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPART-

MENTMURGE EXIM COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH SECRETARY
VIRATA TO ENCOURAGE HIM TO ATTEND MEETING. WOULD
APPRECIATE REPORT OF OUTCOME BY IMMEDIATE CABLE
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